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Applicant(s): Ty J. CASWELL et al. /)

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For: COMPUTER-BASED MULTIFUNCTION PERSONAL COMMUNICATION
SYSTEM WITH CALLER ID /

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents
Washington D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 28, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims

Please amend claims 7-19 as follows. All the pending claims are provided herein for the convenience with the amended claims so marked.

7. (Once Amended) A method for controlling access to a telephone personal communications system, comprising [the steps of]:

preprogramming a memory device with access parameters;

detecting a phone call;

receiving caller identification information without answering the phone

call;

decoding caller identification information;

comparing caller identification information with access parameters to determine whether access is authorized;